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In re Application of	:
RONALD L. MAHANY, et al	:
Application No. 09/127,276	: DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: July 29, 1998	: UNDER 37 CFR 1.182
Attorney Docket No. DN38307RX	:

This is a decision on the RENEWED petition under 37 CFR 1.182, filed August 15, 2006, requesting entry of an amendment to the specification to insert a reference to an earlier-filed application pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §§ 120, 365(e), and 119(e) for the benefit of priority to the prior-filed applications set forth in the amendment filed with the petition.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-noted abandoned application failed to make a specific reference to prior-filed applications; namely, 60/093,218 (filed July 17, 1998) and PCT/US98/02317 (filed February 6, 1998), prior to abandonment. Petitioner now requests that the abandoned application be amended by inserting a reference to the earlier-filed applications. The petition is accompanied by an amendment to include a reference to the prior-filed applications in the first line of the specification following the title of the invention.

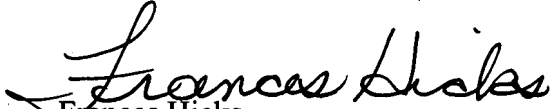
35 U.S.C. § 120 permits entry of a subsequent amendment to an abandoned application in applications filed prior to November 29, 2000 to include the benefit of an earlier filing date for purposes other than prosecution. See Sampson v. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, 195 USPQ 136 (DC 1976).

In view thereof, the request for entry of an amendment to insert a reference to the above-noted, earlier-filed application is granted.

The amendment has been entered. A corrected Filing Receipt, which includes the priority claim to the prior-filed nonprovisional application, accompanies this decision on petition.

Any inquiries concerning this decision may be directed to Amelia Au at (571) 272-7414.

This application is being forwarded to Technology Center Art Unit 2684 for entry of the amendment filed July 2, 2004. Thereafter, the application will be returned to the Files Repository.

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ATTACHMENT: Corrected Filing Receipt



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Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This appln claims benefit of 60/093,218 07/17/1998
 and claims benefit of 60/080,700 04/03/1998
 and is a CIP of PCT/US98/02317 02/06/1998
 which claims benefit of 60/036,895 02/06/1997
 and claims benefit of 60/055,709 08/14/1997

Foreign Applications

If Required, Foreign Filing License Granted: 08/19/1998

The country code and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention, is **US09/127,276**

Projected Publication Date: None, application is not eligible for pre-grant publication

Non-Publication Request: No

Early Publication Request: No

Title

LOW-POWER WIRELESS BEACONING NETWORK SUPPORTING PROXIMAL FORMATION, SEPARATION AND REFORMATION OF WIRELESS LOCAL AREA NETWORKS (LAN'S), AS TERMINALS MOVE IN AND OUT OF RANGER OF ONE ANOTHER

Preliminary Class

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